

**MINUTES
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IMPERIAL BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

JUNE 21, 2017

**Council Chambers
825 Imperial Beach Boulevard
Imperial Beach, CA 91932**

REGULAR MEETING & CLOSED SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dedina called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present:	West, Patton, Spriggs
Councilmembers absent:	None
Mayor Pro Tem Present:	Bragg
Mayor Present:	Dedina
Staff Present:	City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Kelly, Administrative Services Director Bradley, Public Safety Director French, Marine Safety Chief Stabenow, Assistant Public Works Director Helmer, City Planner Foltz, Human Resources Manager Cortez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Girl Scout Troops 6200, 6389 and 6179.

AGENDA CHANGES

City Manager Hall recommended continuance of Item No. 4.2 to the Regular City Council meeting of July 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. He stated that anyone interested in the item can submit comments in writing or attend the public hearing. Additionally, he recommended striking Item No. 2.7 from the agenda to allow for a meet and confer with SEIU representatives, and taking Special Meeting Item No. 1 immediately after the Consent Calendar followed by Item No. 5.2.

MOTION BY PATTON, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO CONTINUE ITEM NO. 4.2 TO THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 19, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M., TO STRIKE ITEM NO. 2.7 (ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7826 REMOVING THE DOG LICENSING FEES FROM THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE) FROM THE AGENDA TO ALLOW FOR A MEET AND CONFER WITH SEIU REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO TAKE SPECIAL MEETING ITEM NO. 1 IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOLLOWED BY ITEM NO. 5.2. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE/COMMUNITY
ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS ON ASSIGNMENTS AND COMMITTEES**

Councilmember Spriggs reported on his attendance at the League of California Cities Policy Committee meeting, he announced his appointment to the Leadership Committee of the Coastal Cities Issues Group, and he reported on the IBWC Citizens Forum meeting. He noted that as a result of citizen input regarding the cross-boundary sewage spill, he wrote a letter to Commissioner Edward Drusina and Commissioner Roberto Salmón Castelo calling for strong leadership and action to solve the problem. He read the last two paragraphs of his letter into the record, which is on file with the City Clerk.

Councilmember Patton reported he has been working with State Lifeguard John Anderson on bringing the California Surf Championships to Silver Strand and he was hopeful that the families will stay and shop in Imperial Beach. He shared positive comments about the shopping center located at 9th and Palm Ave.

Councilmember West reported on his participation in the Bayshore Bikeway meeting for a complete Bayshore Bikeway Masterplan, which will be paid for by SANDAG. He asked for a moment of silence in honor of the sailors who died in the U.S.S. Fitzgerald incident.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg reported on her attendance at the Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Board meeting, the MTS Accessibilities Committee meeting, the SANDAG Board meeting (on behalf of MTS) and she submitted copies of the MTS Budget and North County Transit District Budget to the City Clerk for the record.

Mayor Dedina announced the opening of one of the shops at 9th and Palm, he spoke about the Otay Valley Regional Park which has trails from Imperial Beach to Otay Lakes, and he announced the reopening of the I.B. Pet Hospital. He also reported on his attendance at Pow Wow by the Sea with Councilmember West, the 14th Street Block Party with Councilmembers Spriggs and West, and he reported on the Regional Water Quality Board meeting that took place today.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF

City Clerk Kelly introduced Southwestern College intern, Romulo Cechet.

City Manager Hall introduced Eric Minicilli, the new Public Works Director, and announced Chris Helmer will be in charge of the new Natural Resources Department.

Eric Minicilli provided a brief background about himself.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Georgette Jaurequi spoke about the attractions and exhibits that will be at this year's San Diego County Fair.

Baron Partlow announced that he spoke on rapid water testing and sewage matters at a recent City Council meeting in the City of Coronado. He also spoke about his experience with the Governor's Office who informed him that only the IBWC has jurisdiction over what happens along the border regarding sewage, not Governor Brown.

John Keating expressed gratitude to City staff for the experience he had during the building permit process as he renovated his condo and he shared positive comments about the changes happening in the City.

PRESENTATIONS (1.1)

1.1 PRESENTATION ON PORT DISTRICT ACTIVITIES BY PORT COMMISSIONER MALCOLM. (0150-70)

Port Commissioner Dan Malcom gave a PowerPoint presentation on Port of San Diego projects in Imperial Beach and elsewhere in the Port's jurisdiction around San Diego Bay. He also reported on the Port's budget, the Pond 20 Mitigation Bank, the Blue Economy, and their Integrated Planning efforts. He thanked City Council for allowing him to serve as Port Commissioner and he is honored to represent the City.

In response to Councilmember Spriggs' request for a presentation on the proposed improvements to the pier by Civitas, Ron Powell, Director of Corporate Communications with the Port of San Diego, stated the improvements will be made in a phased approach and the City of Imperial Beach will receive a report on the improvements after the Port receives it from Civitas.

In response to Councilmember Spriggs' desire for a destination restaurant at the end of the pier, Port Commissioner Malcolm stated a request for proposals will be reissued at the proper time.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg spoke about the key role the Port will play in ensuring the success of the Bayfront Masterplan and she thanked Port Commissioner Malcolm for his leadership.

Councilmember West commented on how the redevelopment of Chula Vista's Bayfront is a catalyst for future development in the South Bay region.

Councilmember Patton stated that the pier isn't just a photo opportunity, it needs to be functional and an attraction. He spoke about doing a couple of street end projects next year and is hopeful that someday Imperial Beach will have access to the water from the bay.

Mayor Dedina thanked Commissioner Malcolm and Mr. Powell for all the work they do. He spoke about the Port's transformation as an organization, culturally in terms of its vision and focus, and its capacity to engage the public. He also spoke about how the Chula Vista Bayfront is going to be instrumental in revitalizing I.B.'s Bayfront.

CONSENT CALENDAR (2.1-2.6 & 2.8-2.10)

MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY WEST, TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 2.1 THROUGH 2.6 AND 2.8 THROUGH 2.10. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

2.1 MINUTES.

City Council approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2017.

2.2 RATIFICATION OF WARRANT REGISTER. (0300-25)

City Council ratified the warrant register.

2.3 RECEIVE APRIL 2017 TREASURER'S REPORT. (0300-90)

City Council received the monthly Treasurer's report.

2.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7823 AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY RESOLUTION NO. SA-17-56 TO APPROVE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH MCDOUGAL, LOVE, BOEHMER, FOLEY, LYON & CANLAS. (0440-30)

City Council adopted Resolution Nos. 2017-7823 and SA-17-56.

2.5 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7822 AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF TWO (2) DONATED SURPLUS VEHICLES FROM THE SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT TO REPLACE CITY VEHICLES (TIDELANDS DIVISION EQUIPMENT #602 2002 CHEVY S10, AND #617 2003 DODGE DAKOTA TRUCK). (0150-70 & 0160-10)

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-7822.

2.6 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7821 AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE PARTNERSHIPS WITH INDUSTRY (PWI) GROUP SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018. (0920-20)

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-7821.

2.7 ITEM REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA.

2.8 ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7820 APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE MAYOR'S EXECUTION OF A LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SHER EDLING FOR SPECIALIZED LEGAL SERVICES. (0440-30)

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-7820.

2.9 RESOLUTION 2017-7825 CONTINUING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATING TO IMPACTS FROM CROSS-BORDER POLLUTION IN THE TIJUANA RIVER. (0150-40 & 0210-26)

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-7825.

2.10 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7824 TERMINATING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK FOR THE 500 BLOCK BONITO AVENUE SEWER MAIN UPSIZE PROJECT. (0830-10)

City Council adopted Resolution No. 2017-7824.

ORDINANCES/INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING (3)

None.

REPORTS (5.2)

5.2 REPLACEMENT OF THE IMPERIAL BEACH BOULEVARD MONUMENT SIGN. (0670-45)

City Manager Hall introduced the item.

Simon Andrews, Principal with Graphic Solutions, presented two new design options for City Council's consideration and questioned if the tree should be kept or removed.

Councilmember Patton spoke in support for keeping the tree unless it poses a danger to the community and he spoke in support for keeping with the Woody Logo which is iconic to Southern California.

Councilmember Spriggs expressed concern about protection against future accidents and investing into a sign that is likely to be hit again. He also questioned what the proposed signs would look like on a raised platform. He spoke in support for the original Woody Logo design for Imperial Beach Blvd. with a more ornate sign on Old Palm Ave. He did not have an opinion on the lighting option but did suggest installation of flashing yellow lights on the curb.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg spoke in support for the traditional Woody Logo design. She suggested that the ivy growing on the surfboards on Old Palm Ave. be removed so people can see that they are surfboards.

Councilmember West spoke in support for the Woody Logo design but have it bigger and sturdier. He also spoke in support for keeping the tree.

Mayor Dedina spoke about missing an opportunity to have a sign that is different, livelier, and nicer.

DIRECTION OF CITY COUNCIL TO HAVE DIFFERENT VERSIONS OF ALTERNATIVE 1 (WOODY LOGO DESIGN) RETURN TO CITY COUNCIL FOR REVIEW.

Mayor Dedina called a recess at 7:47 p.m. and called the meeting back to order at 7:53 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: West, Patton, Spriggs

Councilmembers absent: None

Mayor Pro Tem Present: Bragg

Mayor Present: Dedina

Staff Present: City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Kelly, Administrative Services Director Bradley, Public Safety Director French, Marine Safety Chief Stabenow, Assistant Public Works Director Helmer, City Planner Foltz, Human Resources Manager Cortez

PUBLIC HEARINGS (4.1-4.2)

4.1 ALLEN (APPLICANT/OWNER); REGULAR COASTAL PERMIT (CP 170010), DESIGN REVIEW CASE (DRC 170011), SITE PLAN REVIEW (SPR 170012), AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES 15332 (IN-FILL DEVELOPMENT) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NINE NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS AT 640 FLORIDA STREET (APN 626-170-27-00). MF 1237; RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7827. (0600-20)

Mayor Dedina declared the Public Hearing open.

City Planner Foltz gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item and asked City Council to choose one of the two proposed color schemes. In response to Councilmember Spriggs, he stated that according to the applicant the rental range will be low but the actual amount is not known at this time.

Councilmember Spriggs shared positive comments about the design and supported the Design Review Board's recommended color scheme.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg stated that the proposed project is better than the one previously presented. She appreciated the step backs and setbacks, she spoke about encouraging the tenants to use public transportation, she was pleased with the decreased size of the project compared to what was originally proposed, she spoke about the traffic pattern for entering and exiting the site, and she appreciated the proposed open space, she spoke about how this project can spur other development in the area, and she supported the blue/grey color scheme.

Councilmember Patton shared positive comments about the project and he was hopeful that this project will encourage improvements to other properties in the area. He stated that he will support the color scheme of the majority.

Councilmember West appreciated the single-family home look and supported the blue/beige color scheme.

Mayor Dedina was opposed to the proposed color schemes. He spoke in support of a blue and white color scheme.

Councilmember Spriggs spoke about how the Design Review Board considered the project and he supported selection of one of the two options presented to City Council for consideration.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg spoke in support for a more nautical color scheme such as blue and white.

City Planner Foltz recommended that the City Council approve the resolution with an added condition to return to City Council with new color schemes.

Without dissention from City Council, Mayor Dedina closed the Public Hearing.

MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY WEST, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7827 APPROVING A REGULAR COASTAL PERMIT (CP 170010), DESIGN REVIEW CASE (DRC 170011), SITE PLAN REVIEW (SPR 170012), AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES 15332 (IN-FILL DEVELOPMENT) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF NINE NEW RESIDENTIAL UNITS AT 640 FLORIDA STREET (APN 626-170-27-00) WITH AN ADDED CONDITION TO RETURN TO CITY COUNCIL WITH NEW COLOR SCHEMES. MF 1237. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	PATTON, WEST, BRAGG, DEDINA
NOES:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	SPRIGGS
ABSENT:	COUNCILMEMBERS:	NONE

4.2 JEFF KATZ ARCHITECTURE (APPLICANT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY [OWNER]); REGULAR COASTAL PERMIT (CP 170035), DESIGN REVIEW CASE (DRC 170036), SITE PLAN REVIEW (SPR 170037), AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO CEQA GUIDELINES 15332 (IN-FILL DEVELOPMENT) FOR A NEW SENIOR/COMMUNITY CENTER TO REPLACE THE EXISTING SENIOR CENTER FACILITIES AT 1075 8TH STREET (APN 626-400-71-00). MF 1205; RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7828. (0600-20)

Item 4.2 was pulled from the Agenda by prior City Council action.

REPORTS (5.1, 5.3 & 5.4)

5.1 ELM AVENUE TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN ANALYSIS REPORT. (0750-90)

Assistant Public Works Director Helmer introduced the item.

Dawn Wilson, Traffic Engineer, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item.

Councilmember West spoke in support of the following: conducting another study after the 9th and Palm project is completed; rerouting the buses to 5th Street; restriping the intersection; hiring a traffic control officer; having another look at an all-way stop at 7th Street; and restricted left turns with black out signs. He spoke in opposition to raised crosswalks and was indifferent about the rectangular rapid flashing beacons.

City Manager Hall clarified that staff is seeking feedback and will return with something more formal.

In response to Councilmember Spriggs' comment that he was troubled that some of the concepts presented may not work together, Ms. Wilson stated that all options presented are viable options and would address the concerns raised by the School Board. She noted her original recommendations of converting the crossing guard to a traffic control officer, rerouting the buses and restriping the intersection. Concerns from stake holders lead to the speed reduction related items.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg spoke in support for Ms. Wilson's three recommendations and also supported simple solutions that are easily achieved.

Councilmember Spriggs stated that the other add-ons can be phased in later. He spoke about implementing the three recommendations: a traffic control officer, rerouting the buses and restriping the intersection. He commented on how he witnessed the speed at which people drive on Elm Ave., he is sympathetic to speed management, and suggested later looking at alternative measures on managing speed on Elm Ave. He question how U-turns would be addressed.

In response to Councilmember Patton, Ms. Wilson reported the School Board supported a stop sign; had a discussion about speed along the corridor and installing raised crosswalks and rectangular flashing beacons; there were concerns for overall safety, and to make sure to reduce conflict between student and vehicles. She noted that she is standing by the position of not having the stop signs. Also, with stop signs the queuing would be worse. Stop signs by nature presents ques.

Councilmember Patton spoke in support of the "T" idea, rerouting the buses, restriping diagonally, having a traffic control officer, and raised crosswalks with lights in them. He was unclear about the blackout signs.

Mayor Dedina announced there was City Council consensus for the following: rerouting the buses, restriping the "T" intersection, and traffic control (address questions about who would fund it). He expressed concern about equity with other schools, evaluating a traffic control officer, and having a second phase evaluation to address speed.

Assistant Public Works Director Helmer stated that staff was planning on returning to City Council once school starts up in the fall and once traffic normalizes with the Palm and 9th development, to also look at the issue of parking on Elm Ave. and to come back with all the recommendations and options that the City can move forward with.

Mayor Dedina spoke about encouraging more children to walk and bike to school.

5.3 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7829 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A FIVE YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH AND THE SAN DIEGO SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE TO THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH. (0260-10)

City Manager Hall reported on the item and noted the proposed cost increases for each year. As a result of cost increases, he recommended a continued focus on intelligence based policing and crime fighting activities, while placing less emphasis on traffic control. Sheriff's personnel would be reduced from 27.6 to 25.6 personnel. He noted that if there is a desire to add personnel, there is an opportunity to do so in the future but the City cannot reduce staff later.

In response to Councilmember Spriggs' question about what a traffic officer does, Sheriff's Lt. Magaña stated traffic deputies enforce the rules of the roads and traffic collision investigations. With regard to the reduction, he evaluated the facts and noted that the least impact to the City would be in traffic and he addressed how the Sheriff's Deputies would cover traffic duties.

City Manager Hall stated that rate increases are the same across all cities.

Mayor Pro Tem Bragg stated that speeding is a major concern throughout the City and asked Lt. Magaña to raise those concerns with his department. She appreciated the resurgence of the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Councilmember Patton spoke about the importance of keeping the residents safe and he supported Lt. Magaña's recommendation.

Councilmember West thanked Lt. Magaña and recognized him for his experience.

MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY WEST, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7829 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH AND THE SAN DIEGO SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES IN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH, UPON STAFF AND LEGAL REVIEW OF THE FINAL AGREEMENT TO ENSURE THE FINAL AGREEMENT SUBSTANTIALLY REFLECTS THE PROVISIONS OF THE DRAFT AGREEMENT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7811 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2017-18 AND 2018-19 AND ELECTING THE POPULATION AND PRICE ADJUSTMENT FACTORS AND ESTABLISHING FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE XIII B, AND SECTION 7900 ET SEQ. OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE. (0330-30)

Administrative Services Director Bradley gave a PowerPoint Presentation on the item. He responded to questions of City Council stating SB1 revenues of approximately \$400,000 will begin in mid-2018 for street repairs and maintenance.

Councilmember Spriggs commended Mr. Bradley for a clear and concise presentation. He expressed concern about the small amount of surplus predicted for 2018 and 2019 as well as a potential for a recession in the future. He noted that although recessions cannot be predicted by year, they are inevitable. He spoke about the need to look at the economic development planning process and to make sure the City has a growing revenue stream to ensure it can weather any storms that may occur in the future.

Mayor Dedina thanked City staff for their efforts on public outreach.

MOTION BY WEST, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2017-7811 ADOPTING THE BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2017-18 AND 2018-19 AND ELECTING THE POPULATION AND PRICE ADJUSTMENT FACTORS AND ESTABLISHING FISCAL YEAR 2017-18 APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION ARTICLE XIII B, AND SECTION 7900 ET SEQ. OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I.B. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS (6)

See Item No. 2.4

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR (IF ANY)

None.

ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Dedina adjourned the regular meeting at 9:21 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dedina called the Closed Session meeting to order at 9:22 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: West, Patton, Spriggs
Mayor Pro Tem Present: Bragg
Mayor Present: Dedina
Staff Present: City Manager Hall, Deputy City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Kelly,
Human Resources Manager Cortez

CLOSED SESSION (1-5)

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Govt. Code section 54956.9(d)(4) (2 cases)

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Govt Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)- 1 case
Existing facts and circumstances pursuant to Govt Code Section 54956.9(e)(3)

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Govt Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)- 1 case
Existing facts and circumstances pursuant to Govt Code Section 54956.9(e)(1)

4. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code section 54957

Title: City Attorney

5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.6:

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager, City Attorney, Assistant City Manager,
Human Resources Manager, Administrative Services Director

Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Local 221
Unrepresented Employees
Mid-Management
Management

Mayor Dedina adjourned the meeting to Closed Session at 9:23 p.m. and he reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 10:48 p.m.

Reporting out of Closed Session City Attorney Lyon stated City Council discussed Closed Session Item Nos. 1 through 5. Direction was given and no reportable action was taken.

ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Dedina adjourned the Closed Session at 10:49 p.m.

_____/s/
Serge Dedina,
Mayor

_____/s/
Jacqueline M. Kelly, MMC
City Clerk